

Claims

Claims 1-25 have been cancelled.

26. (New) A method for rendering digital content, the method comprising the steps of:
 - obtaining digital content as a plurality of chunks, wherein each chunk of the digital content is separately hashed;
 - authenticating a first chunk from the plurality of chunks;
 - rendering the first chunk if the first chunk is successfully authenticated;
 - authenticating a second chunk from the plurality of chunks;
 - rendering the second chunk if the second chunk is successfully authenticated; and
 - continuing to authenticate and render subsequent chunks as long as each chunk is successfully authenticated.
27. (New) The method of claim 26 wherein the step of authenticating a chunk comprises the step of:
 - calculating a hash of the chunk to create a chunk hash of the chunk;
 - comparing the chunk hash to a stored chunk hash of the chunk; and
 - if the chunk hash matches the stored chunk hash, successfully authenticating the chunk.
28. (New) The method of claim 27 further comprising the step of:
 - authenticating a hash table containing a plurality of stored chunk hashes corresponding to the plurality of chunks of content.
- 29 (New) The method of claim 28, wherein the step of authenticating the hash table comprises:
 - verifying a certificate of authenticity of the hash table; and
 - if the certificate of authenticity of the hash table is verified, authenticating the hash table.